

AS SEEN BY A WASHINGTON WOMAN

NOW WE MUST LOOK TO SPAIN.

Spain is about as unimportant a factor in European affairs just now as any peace-loving nation could wish to be. A Spanish city is seldom the date-place of a first-page news item nowadays. The time when mountains from the war, she is not grande, uprisings of the poor, social commotion and retaliation by the government drew our attention to Spain is past, and because Spain seems to be safely shut off by sea and mountains from the war, she is not

even so much talked about as the island-like Switzerland or Holland, which maintains peace literally in the midst of war.

No, Spain is out of the running just now—so far as world war is concerned. But, from all indications, one of the belligerent nations is looking to Spain for help—and help in a matter that is of world-wide interest.

The Paris dressmakers will hold semi-annual openings, as usual, in a couple of weeks. And from present tendencies we are justified in believ-

GLASS UTENSILS ARE BEING USED IN THE KITCHEN

One of the most practical innovations in kitchen equipment is a fine line of glass baking and cooking utensils. Although for years we have looked in catalogues and other earthware, cooking in glass is entirely new.

Pie plates, custard cups, pudding dishes, casseroles, indeed almost any shape and size utensil for baking and cooking have just appeared made of glass. The glass is extremely heavy in appearance, but light in weight. It has a dull, pleasing finish and the edges of most pieces are slightly beveled and made with rounded rims. The first point about these dishes is the extreme sanitation which they offer. Even the best of the earthenware and enamel develops seams or "cracks," which give lodgment to dirt. With the glass dishes this is absolutely prevented, as the surface is impervious and impossible to graze.

Next, the ease in washing is one of the chief merits of the new ware. All are familiar with the difficulty in removing cooked custard and other foods from the usual dishes. But here, owing to the extreme smoothness and the fact that there is no difference between the upper glass and other material as there is in other ware, it is found that food particles rinse completely off without the usual scraping and cleaning.

Another point is the attractiveness which the various dishes present. A chicken cooked in casserole or any other scalloped food, or a pie, can be brought directly to the table in the same dish which saves the additional changing of extra plates. Indeed, a pie like a lemon meringue baked in this transparent dish and brought to the table on the same plate is a distinct artistic improvement over the old-fashioned tin pie-plate.

Owing to the fact that the glass has been most thoroughly tested before distribution, and owing also to its conductivity, these utensils take less time to heat than heavier dishes of other metals. Since the heat is immediately conducted through glass it follows that the food cooked in it will cook in a shorter time because it does not take so long for the container to become heated first. This is a point of economy in the cooking of such dishes as fowls, stews and others where already a long period is required.

Cooking in glass is a practical novelty which is not only an attractive accessory to table service, but a real saving in kitchen work.

FAMOUS WOMAN, HER BIRTHDAY AND YOURS

By MARY MARSHALL

December 29—Elizabeth of Roumania

Queen Elizabeth of Roumania, known the world over under her pen name Carmen Sylva, was the daughter of Prince Hermann, of Newwied, and she met her future husband in Berlin. She was married when she was 19 and eight years later, her only child, a daughter, died in infancy.

Queen Elizabeth devoted her time to letters and to nursing. In the awful Russo-Turkish war she worked among the wounded, where her gentleness and capability earned for her the deepest love of the soldiers; and it was then that she established the Order of Elizabeth, with its emblem of a gold cross on a blue ground, to reward those who had done distinguished work as nurses.

Elizabeth was much interested in the higher education of women in Roumania, and in many charitable works. She gained real distinction as a pianist and organist, a singer and painter. But her greatest fame came to her because of her writing. She wrote plays and novels and poems, and she gathered and put into literary form many of the legends current among the peasants of her husband's kingdom. She wrote in German, French, Roumanian and English, and her works were translated into the other principal languages of Europe.

Queen Elizabeth has always been noted for her charm of manner, and her demurety was illustrated by the fact that she undertook some literary work in collaboration with one of her maids of honor.

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TOMORROW'S MENU.

"I hold my tongue to tell the truth. And keep my breath to cool my broth." —Proverb.

BREAKFAST.
Buttered Toast and Tomato Sauce.
Apple Sauce.
Cakes.

LUNCHEON OR SUPPER.
Breaded Tongue and Tomato Sauce.
Apple Sauce.
Cakes.

DINNER.
Cream Potato Soup.
Fried Apple.
Roasted Potatoes.
Waldorf Salad.
Custard Pudding.

Indian pancakes: Sift together half a cupful of flour, a cupful of Indian corn meal, a teaspoonful of baking powder and half a teaspoonful of salt. Add two cupfuls of milk, two well beaten eggs and more of meal if necessary. Bake on a hot griddle.

Breaded tongue and tomato sauce: Cut the boiled tongue in slices a third of an inch thick, sprinkle with pepper and salt and roll in beaten egg and crumbs. Brown in hot oil or butter and serve with tomato sauce.

Pork chops and fried apples: Pare small apples and core them and then slice, so that they are in rings. Fry brown, turning frequently until tender. Serve around the chops.

HOROSCOPE.

"The stars incline, but do not compel."

Wednesday, December 29, 1915.

This should be a lucky day during the hours of work. Jupiter, Neptune and Venus are all in benefic aspect. It should be a fortunate rule for bankers, banquets and whatever calls together men and women who desire to be amused.

The rise of a woman manager who will achieve much in the world of plays and players is indicated. This should be a fortunate rule under which to marry or become engaged.

Dealers in jewelry and whatever appeals to the taste of women should benefit today, but there is a sinister sign for next month when importers of wearing apparel come under an adverse leading of the stars.

Women should make the most of today. Men of large interests should profit. The influences tend toward keen foresight and wise planning. Bankers and merchants have the best direction.

Septune gives encouragement to shipping and commerce. Congress will favor large expenditures for war vessels. It is predicted, but a scandal relating to contracts may develop.

The President of the United States comes under a rule read as foreshadowing secret enemies. Foes in his own party are indicated and measures of protection are recommended.

Canada has the prognostication of prosperity in concentration, centers, but discontent that grows among the people. The church has a sinister sign read as some defection of the clergy. Graft in army affairs is likely to be revealed. If the stars read aright.

Japan has a sign strongly suggesting warlike movements and general preparation for hostilities. This is sinister in its relation to the United States.

The new year will encourage the increase of cranks of every variety. It is foretold. Those who practice occult arts and teach new cults will be particularly numerous.

Persons whose birthdate it is have a happy augury for love and domesticity, but they may have much anxiety in business.

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Capital Has New Stamp Club.

One more stamp organization, called the Capital Philatelic Association, has been formed in Washington. H. R. Van Buren is to be its first president. It was organized on January 1, when the monthly meeting is to take place. All persons desiring to join are offered six months' membership free and are requested to send their names and addresses to H. K. Van Buren, 264 Ontario road. They are to send 10 cents in stamps or coin to pay for their meeting notices, certificates of membership and registration fee.

Want Senator Smith on Ballot.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 28.—Petitions to place the name of U. S. Senator William A. Smith, of Grand Rapids, on the residential primary ballot as Michigan candidate for the Republican nomination for President were filed with the secretary of State today.

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DAILY FASHION HINT

Dr. Whitney's popular articles on health and beauty subjects in several leading magazines have been attracting marked attention for a number of years. No other writer on similar topics is better equipped for the work. Dr. Whitney has established an enviable reputation as a specialist in the treatment of the body and the mind. He will answer all letters relating to his department promptly as possible. All letters should be accompanied by a stamped envelope and should be addressed care of this paper.

Body Building.

It is the ambition of every little boy to grow into a big man and every little girl to become a "strong" woman. As maturity is reached, every intelligent boy or girl realizes that there are more attractive things than conspicuous size and more prettiness than a well-developed body and of the immortal soul that dwells within impresses itself upon us as we leave childhood and reach the years of self-consciousness. We now begin to feel a righteous pride in this body that clothes our soul, and if we treat it with a high regard for its uniform development, it will become a beautiful body which will result in a physical being so constituted as to prove "a thing of beauty and a joy forever," because this symmetry of the body is a potent factor in the ability to perform the commands of the mind with the least possible strain or friction.

This perfect command of the mental over the physical enables us to live to the best and highest that is in us, but, unfortunately, to a great many the true value of a sound mind in a sound body is not realized. They are content with all sorts of physical imperfections, begin to manifest themselves as a result of the improper use of the body. Only recently the medical profession began to have fully awakened to the truth that many cases of chronic invalidism are directly traceable to over and under development of the body.

Proper standards of beauty, these conditions may justly be termed minor deformities. Take, for instance, the spine. In how many human beings is this backbone curved in the downward direction to its highest state of efficiency? Slouching attitudes cause slight curvatures of varying kind that are not noticeable until the body is in the downward droop of one shoulder (this is not attributed to the spine, but is a result of the slouching). In a rounding of the shoulders, the neck is pulled forward, the chest and round shoulders, or to that condition known as pigeon chest, in which the breastbone is projected forward.

Under development of the bony framework itself may be corrected in early life by feeding the osseous system with lime and calcium salts, but after full maturity has been reached the best we can do is to develop the muscular sys-

tem that Paris has looked to Spain for sartorial inspiration. The stately women painted by Velasquez, Carmen of boundless charm, the peasant of Spanish past and present, have all been called on to add a detail or two to the frocks that will be shown in the first 1916 openings. And so it may be that one of the few peaceful countries of Europe will spread its influence around the world through such details of women's clothes as boleros, scarfs, full skirts, and tight bodices.

MARY MARSHALL.

HOUSEWIVES DAILY ECONOMY CALENDAR

By FRANCES MARSHALL.

FITTERS.

Two parts of liquid to two of flour should be allowed for fritters. That is a proportion that does not vary, no matter how many other ingredients are added, unless one of them be thick, like cereal. Salt or leaven-baking powder or soda or eggs are also needed. And any favoring agents that one fancies may be added.

The essential about cooking fritters is that of the proper heat. Test it with a cube of bread. It should brown in forty seconds for a cooked mixture and in sixty for an uncooked mixture.

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